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Honorable Ed Smith
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Dear Justices Honorable Smith,

I am writing today to express my opposition to the proposed rule change 8.4(g).

Honorable Ed Smith,

I would like to comment on the proposed rules change 8.4(g) about discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender.

I do not believe there is a scientific basis to consider this as discrimination. There is a religious freedom to exercise ones beliefs and lawyers should have the same rights as everyone, and everyone should have the right to speak their mind. Wether someone considers speech right or wrong, we all should have the right to expression. Our community can then decide whether to hire the lawyer or not. The freedom of the people to decide, not the rule makers.

I hope you'll reject this rule change.

Sincerely,

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